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In re Application of : Isabelle HARTER et al.

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Group Art Unit: 1725

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Examiner: Kevin P. Kerns

For: POLYFUNCTIONAL SUB-ASSEMBLY FOR CONTACT, MATERIAL
DISTRIBUTION AND HEAT AND/OR MATERIAL EXCHANGE OF AT LEAST
ONE GAS PHASE AND AT LEAST ONE LIQUID PHASE

REPLY TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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SIR:

In response to the Notice of Non-compliant Amendment mailed on April 4, 2005, please
amend the claims as follows.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of
this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.